

Columbia County Drainage Basin Advisory Council Meeting
Thursday, June 12, 2008
Water Utility Administrative Building Conference Room
Evans, Georgia

In the absence of another officer, Secretary John Graham called the meeting to order at 2:10 pm. (Chairman Bo Slaughter chaired the remainder of the meeting when he arrived at 2:15.)

Additional members present included: Jim Bartley, Ben Brandenburg, Bo Slaughter, and Phillip Green.

Staff present: Bill Clayton, Margaret Doss and Jacques Palmer

Visitors present: Sam Booher, Charles Phillips, and Shirley Williamson.

Agenda: Items added under Old Business, 4b. 4-H Club 4c. Education report; 4d. BMPs.

Motion Mr. Bartley, seconded Mr. Brandenburg to approve the agenda as amended. **Motion Carried.**

Motion Mr. Graham, seconded Mr. Bartley to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2008, minutes subject to further review. **Motion Carried.**

Old Business.

- A. Articles for the Enviro-source newsletter. Mrs. Doss stated that the newsletter needed to be published before the end of the summer. Mr. Bartley agreed to write an article about BMPs and Mr. Graham agreed to author one about the effects of water pollution. The articles are to be emailed to Mrs. Doss by the end of June.
- B. A discussion was had to determine if the current curriculum being used by the 4H would satisfy the County's BMP concerning educating school children. Mr. Graham pointed out that the BMP states we would try to reach 3rd graders while the 4H curriculum reaches 5th graders. It was decided that the BMP, which is not in the current Notice of Intent, could be modified to say 5th graders.
- Motion** Mr. Bartley, seconded Mr. Brandenburg to appoint Mr. Palmer of the Water Utility to work with Mrs. Williamson of the Extension Service to insure that water quality information is incorporated into the 4H curriculum and report back to the Council. **Motion Carried.**
- C. Education Report. Mr. Graham stated that he believes that the DBAC could work with Columbia County Clean and Beautiful (CCCB) to have presentations or a booth at various CCCB events to educate the public about water pollution issues.
- D. BMPs. Mr. Banford was not present to give a report.

New Business.

- A. Information request. Mr. Graham stated that he has requested information about draining certain areas and how the draining affects the infiltration.
- B. Mr. Graham suggested that the County provide more public education and seek to discern how it can approach various groups to give presentations.

Public Comment.

- A. Mr. Sam Booher presented a draft letter to the editor and asked the group for comments.
- B. A discussion was held concerning manhole heights and beaver dams.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 pm.

Minutes attested by: _____
John Graham, Secretary

Minutes approved by Council on [date]

Chairman Slaughter

Date